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\$5.7m Bellamack Headworks Underway

Headworks to support the Bellamack housing development in Palmerston have begun.

Infrastructure Minister Delia Lawrie today congratulated local company Wolpers Grahl on being awarded the \$5.7 million tender to undertake the headworks supporting more than 700 lots.

“The Territory’s population is growing at more than 2% - much of it in Palmerston – and Bellamack will play a huge role in Palmerston’s continued growth,” Ms Lawrie said.

“Palmerston is one of the fastest growing areas in the nation and we are building the infrastructure to provide for the growing population.

“The Northern Territory’s economy is still healthy – despite the global financial crisis - on the back of strong population growth and resident employment.

“Building new suburbs in Palmerston will create hundreds of direct and indirect jobs with the economic benefits set to flow well into the future.

“The Wolpers Grahl headworks alone will create up to 30 new jobs for Territorians and support the development of at least 700 new residential housing blocks in Bellamack.

“15% of the new blocks in Bellamack will be set aside for affordable and public housing as part of the Northern Territory Government’s housing affordability strategy.

“Bellamack’s preferred developers Urban Pacific Limited and Brierty Limited are also well advanced in their design work that will lead to Bellamack’s development.

“The first housing lots in Bellamack are expected to be released in the second half of 2009.”

The Bellamack headworks will help deliver power and water to the new lots by building a new:

- Water main;
- Deep wet and dry well sewage pump station;
- Sewerage rising main; and
- An electrical substation and ring main for the subdivision as well as the power supply to the sewage pump station.

The Northern Territory Government is also fast-tracking the development of Johnston, Mitchell and Zuccoli to deliver another 3000 lots onto the housing market in Palmerston.

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